

The Story of Imam Hasan (RA) at the Mosque Door

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Chapter 1: A Prayer at the Threshold

Devotional Entry: The Humility of Imam Ḥasan (RA)

Among the recorded devotional practices of the early righteous is a striking moment of spiritual intimacy observed in the life of Imam Ḥasan (RA). The grandson of the Prophet Muḥammad (ﷺ), revered for his piety and gentleness, Imam Ḥasan (RA) maintained a remarkable habit upon entering the mosque.

Each time he approached the entrance, he would come to a complete halt. He would not cross the threshold without first acknowledging, through prayer, his own spiritual inadequacy before the majesty of God. What followed was a unique supplication—one that combined theological insight, personal confession, and hope in divine mercy. It was not merely a plea, but a disciplined reflection of his self-effacement before his Creator.

Such a prayer stands out not only for its linguistic humility but also for the depth of its spiritual awareness. It reveals a soul conscious of its flaws, yet confident in the beneficence of its Lord. This moment at the mosque's entrance thus serves as a powerful testament to Imam Ḥasan's (RA) character—marked by reverence, repentance, and reliance upon divine grace.

The Supplication of a Penitent Servant:

Imam Ḥasan (RA):

"O Lord! A wrongdoer has presented himself at Your door. You have commanded that the righteous treat the wrongdoers with kindness. Thus, O Lord! You are good, and I am bad—so, by the virtue of Your goodness, deal kindly with me as well."